

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COMMUNITY OUTREACH MEETING HELD ON
Tuesday, January 18, 2011**

A Community Outreach meeting of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, January 18, 2011 4:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room, at Foothills Center, 4001 E. Foothills Drive, Sierra Vista, Arizona.

Present: Patrick G. Call, Chairman; Ann English, Vice-Chairman; Richard Searle, Supervisor

Staff Present: Michael J. Ortega, County Administrator

Jim Vlahovich, Deputy County Administrator

David C. Fifer, Civil Deputy County Attorney

Katie Howard, Clerk of the Board

Chairman Call called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS OPEN FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

THE ORDER OR DELETION OF ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION AT THE MEETING

PRESENTATION

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| 1. Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation to members of the Industrial Development Authority of the County of Cochise in recognition of their dedication and many years of volunteer service. We recognize: William Jenney, Gerald Curfman, Richard C. Dullum, Kenneth R. Symmes, Bob Fernandez, Irene Hauser, Mary A. Battaglia, Howard D. Bethel, and G. Lee Knaeble. | NO
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Chairman Call congratulated all of the members of the Industrial Development Authority (IDA), four of whom were in attendance. He asked Mr. Lee Knaeble to provide some background on the history and successful efforts of the IDA. Mr. Knaeble told the Board that the IDA was founded in 1975 in an effort to mitigate the effects of high interest rates by issuing government-backed bonds to bring money to the County. He recounted several of the successful projects which the IDA had been involved in over the years. Mr. Ken Symmes also pointed out that the IDA had provided several grants to the Cochise Community Foundation, City of Willcox, the University of Arizona Cooperative Extension and others throughout the years.

Supervisor Searle then presented Certificates of Appreciation to each of the attending members. Chairman Call pointed out that some of the members had served in this volunteer capacity for over thirty years and he thanked all the Board members for their service and dedication. Vice-Chairman English added that these members' volunteerism has been long-standing -- they stepped up when times were tough to help bring money to Cochise County.

(Additional background about the IDA's history is attached to the agenda for this meeting and available on the County's website).

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| 2. Presentation by Don Brush, Planning Administrator for the City of Sierra Vista / Community Development department: Overview of cooperative efforts between the City of Sierra Vista and Cochise County and a City of Sierra Vista development update. | NO
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Mr. Don Brush thanked the Board for conducting meetings in other areas within the County. He used a PowerPoint for his presentation, to highlight several cooperative efforts between the City and the County. Specifically, he cited the Fry Task Force; various Community Development Block Grants for drainage and street projects; the Graffiti Abatement intergovernmental agreement; enforcement and building inspections; the Upper San Pedro Partnership and the Brown - Garden Canyon Trail. He provided additional detail about the Fry Task Force and the trail Bypass from Garden Canyon Park to the US Forest Service property at Brown Canyon.

Mr. Brush then reviewed with the Board a number of development projects (both commercial and residential) in various stages within the City of Sierra Vista, including those with plans approved, those with plans under review, projects under construction, recently completed projects, and projects currently on hold. He added that a few of those responsible for actually building and maintaining the Brown - Garden Canyon Trail were in attendance at the meeting and they offered comments about the great partnership and cooperative effort, pointing out that there is now a connection to the USFS land, for people who use the trail. They expressed appreciation for the County's support of that project.

Chairman Call thanked Mr. Brush for his presentation and the others for their comments and for their work on the trail. Vice-Chairman English added that she had not been aware of all of the projects in Sierra Vista and found the presentation to be both enlightening and encouraging.

Ms. Mary Jacobs, Assistant City Manager, added that the City and County have also been working together for years on traffic planning as well as coordinating to determine which federal and state funding applications for road and flood control projects should move forward for the overall benefit of the area, rather than competing for limited funds. She stated that there was a "terrific and strong relationship between the City and the County" and that they routinely shared resources.

The Board thanked Mr. Brush for the overview and everyone for their input. (A copy of Mr. Brush's PowerPoint presentation is now attached to the agenda for this meeting, available on the County's website.)

CONSENT

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| 3. Approve the award of Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 11-25-FAC-01 to establish a list of pre-qualified general contractor's to bid on the construction of the Douglas Government Center project. | APPROVED |
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4. Approve the renewal of Contract No. 09-33-FAC-02 for General Aviation Gasoline and Jet Aviation Fuel to Ascent Aviation Group, Inc. in the estimated amount of \$288,000.00 for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011. APPROVED

Motion by Vice-Chairman Ann English, Second by Supervisor Richard Searle to approve Consent Calendar items 3-4.

Vote: 3 - 0 Approved

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda.

No one chose to address the Board and Chairman Call closed the Call to the Public.

Vice-Chairman English commented that she was glad to have been at the meeting; that it helps to understand issues of relevance in particular communities which is helpful to the Board as a whole. She added that the County has many diverse areas and communities and one size does not fit all.

Supervisor Searle thanked Chairman Call for his able representation in the Sierra Vista.

Chairman Call thanked everyone for attending the meeting and adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

APPROVED:

Patrick Call, Chairman

ATTEST:

Katie Howard, Clerk of the Board

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